

TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm. Selectmen present were Janet Smith, James McIlroy, and Roberta Gerkin. Others present were Police Chief Reed and Tom Dunn of NHLGC.

Chief Reed advised the Board of Selectmen that the Seabrook Drill was in progress as they met Tuesday night.

The Selectmen will meet with Chief Reed over the next six months or so to go over the Police Budget for 2007.

The following updates were given by the Chief:

The entire bridge project should be completed by May 17, 2006.

The Police Log is now on the Town Website and it will be updated bi-weekly.

A Mandatory Bicycle Helmet Law went into effect January 1, 2006. There is a \$35.00 fine for non-compliance.

Notification was received from the Town of Rollinsford that a new antenna is going up on the cell tower located in Rollinsford.

A notice from the Highway Safety Agency was received with regard to financial assistance available for cities and towns. Nancy Spencer was asked for forward copies of the notice to the Road Agent and Town Planner so that they could determine if Newfields is eligible for any financial assistance.

Mosquito control was discussed again and in particular spraying vs. larvae control. Spraying is not as effective as larvae control and would need to be done at least twice a week. Larvae control prevents mosquitos from hatching. Janet will ask the bidding companies for maps of potential treatment areas in Newfields. Janet will also find out if mosquito control is done on public land only or if the company will also treat problem areas on private property.

The Selectmen reviewed the Rockingham County Commissioners proposed budget for 2006. The Townspeople are welcome to come into the Town Office to review it.

A Ride to Conquer Cancer will be held this year on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. They will provide Certificates of Insurance as they have in the past. Chief Reed was made aware of this upcoming bicycle race.

Tom Dunn of the Local Government Center was here to discuss the insurance quotes for the town. It will cost \$72.00 to add the old post office building to the insurance policy. They are offering a rate guarantee until 2008 on Property and Liability coverages. The coverages between LGC and Primex are mostly the same except that LGC has some higher limits and no deductibles on specific coverages. Tom noted that Primex rates are not locked in for three years, but that their discounts are guaranteed.

Roberta made a motion to accept the minutes of the Budget Hearing on January 10, 2006. Janet seconded the motion and all were in favor.

James made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 17, 2006 meeting (with changes). Roberta seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The Warrant Articles were read. The Selectmen are in favor of Articles 1 – 5. Article 6 had one yes vote, one no vote, and one abstention.

James made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 pm. Roberta seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Spencer  
Administrative Assistant